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PREFILLED AMPOULES AND MANUFACTURE THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Patent Application Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and first action by the Examiner in the present application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

After line 1, please insert the following paragraph:

-- Cross-References To Related Applications

This application is a divisional of application No. 09/158,273 filed September 22, 1998 which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/061,399, filed October 6, 1997.--

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 29-78 and 80-96.

Please amend claims 1-28, 79 and 97-102 as follows:

1. (Amended) A syringe type ampoule having a) a barrel with a front end and a rear end defining an axis therebetween, the barrel having substantially constant cross-section between the front end and the rear end, at least the front end ending in an opening, b) a sealer attached to the front end and sealing the opening, c) at least one piston movably and sealingly arranged within the barrel, and d) a sleeve extending along at least a part of the barrel, the sleeve having a front part and a rear part, the front part being connected to the sealer, [characterized in the improvement comprising that] wherein the barrel has a front end terminating in an edge surrounding the opening, the edge having an outer circumference substantially equal to the barrel outer circumference.

Claim 2, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 3, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 4, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 5, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 6, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 7, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 8, line 1, replace "or 7, characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 9, line 1, replace "or 7, characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 10, line 1, replace "or 7, characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 11, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 12, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 13, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 14, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 15, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 16, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 17, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 18, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 19, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 20, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 21, line 7, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 22, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 23, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 24, line 1, replace "or 23, characterized in" with --, further comprising--.

Claim 25, line 1, replace "characterized in" with --further comprising--.

Claim 26, line 1, replace "characterized in" with --further comprising--.

Claim 27, line 1, replace "characterized in" with --further comprising--.

Claim 28, lines 1-2, replace "any one of claims 21 to 28" with --claim 21--.

Claim 79, line 7, replace "characterized in" with --the method comprising--.

Claim 97, lines 3-4, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 98, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 99, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 100, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

Claim 101, line 5, replace "characterized in" with --the method comprising--.

Claim 102, line 1, replace "characterized in that" with --wherein--.

REMARKS

The amendments set forth herein relate to matters of form only. Since these changes do not involve any introduction of new matter, entry is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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